

Appl. No. 10/027,613
Atty. Docket No. 5922R2CC
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REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to require that the improved storage wrap material comprise, *inter alia*, a sheet of non-porous material and an adhesive continuously disposed upon the first active side of the sheet material. Support for the current Amendments to Claim 1 is found in the Specification on page 6, line 37-page 7, line 4; page 25, lines 36-37; and page 26, lines 28-30. No new matter has been added. Claim 3 has been amended to provide proper claim dependency. Claims 1-9 remain in the instant Application.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-9 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over Claims 1-12, 14-18, 41-52, 54-58, 66, 81, 87-88, and 95-111 of co-pending Application No. 09/715,586. Claims 1-9 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over Claims 1-18, 38-55, 75, 80-81, and 86-102 of co-pending Application No. 09/716,740. Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §1490, Applicants enclose an appropriate Terminal Disclaimer compliant with 35 U.S.C. §253, 37 C.F.R. §1.321, and 37 C.F.R. §3.73.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 1-9, were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Wilbur, U.S. Patent No. 2,338,749. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection for the following reasons:

1. Applicants' invention, as now claimed in Amended Claim 1, requires a storage wrap material to comprise a sheet of **non-porous** material.
2. Further, as now claimed in Applicants' Amended Claim 1, the storage wrap material further comprises a first active side having an adhesive **continuously** disposed thereon.
3. Contrary to Applicants' claimed invention, *Wilbur* does not provide or suggest an adhesive continuously disposed over a sheet of non-porous material comprising a plurality of standoffs.
4. In fact, the *Wilbur* reference is silent with respect to disposing an adhesive continuously upon a non-porous substrate.

Because of these considerations, the *Wilbur* reference does not suggest what Applicants claim as their invention. The *Wilbur* reference fails to disclose, teach, suggest, or render obvious every recited feature of Applicants' claimed invention. Further, absent any motivation to provide Applicants' storage wrap material, the *Wilbur* reference cannot render any of the rejected claims obvious. See *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071 (Fed.Cir. 1988); M.P.E.P. §2143.01. Applicants therefore request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to Applicants' independent Claims 38 and 86.

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Because dependent Claims 2-9 all depend directly or indirectly from Applicants' independent Claim 1, they contain the limitations present in Claim 1. For this reason, Applicants respectfully submit that the arguments made above concerning allowability of the Claim 1 discussed *supra* are equally applicable to the rejection of Claims 2-9 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b). Applicants therefore request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. §102(b) rejection to Claims 2-9.

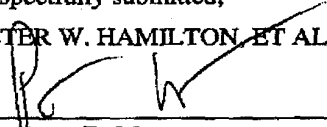
Conclusion

Based on all the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that each of Applicants' remaining claims is in condition for allowance and favorable reconsideration is requested.

This response is timely filed pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.8 and M.P.E.P. §512. If any additional charges are due, the Examiner is authorized to deduct such charges from Deposit Account No. 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company.

Respectfully submitted,

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